

THE EVENING NEWS.

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BENTON HARBOR, MICH., TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 1900.

TWO CENTS.

WILL BE HERE TOMORROW

Manager of John V. Farwell & Co.

To Close Deal for Overall Factory.

Expect to Start in Two Weeks.

Victor Robertson, one of the managers of the John V. Farwell company, will arrive here tomorrow morning on the early train to close up the deal for the location of a large overall factory. It is a certainty that the factory will come—barring two things, viz: That the company likes the Werkman furniture factory, the building of the board of trade will give rent free for five years, and that they can secure 100 women to go to work in the factory at once. The company cannot help but like the building and when help advertisements are placed in the local papers tomorrow it will be found that all the help necessary for the factory can easily be secured.

The board of trade has devised a way to pay the rent and this chicken is so nearly hatched that Benton Harbor may just as well as not count it.

J. H. Graham, president of the Graham & Morton transportation company sent the following telegram to Chicago this morning:

"Victor Robertson, care J. V. Farwell & Co., Chicago, Ill. Our citizens have sites they wish you to see which will be offered you rent free. When may we expect you?" J. H. GRAHAM."

At 10:30 this morning Mr. Graham received the following reply:

"J. H. Graham, Benton Harbor, Mich.—Will go to Benton Harbor tomorrow Wednesday morning on the early train."

"VICTOR ROBERTSON."

These telegrams in brief give an idea of what was done last evening at the meeting of the board of trade. Arrangements were made so that it was possible to make the firm of John V. Farwell & Co. a proposition which will mean the expenditure on the part of the board of trade of \$3,500 in rent in five years or \$700 per year.

The meeting of the board was largely attended—in fact it was the largest and most enthusiastic meeting held in years. As soon as President Miller hammered his gavel he introduced J. S. Morton to explain the details of the proposition from the rich Chicago company.

Mr. Morton explained that it was through a business accident that the Chicago firm began to consider the advisability of coming to Benton Harbor. The firm had decided to locate a factory on the Michigan Central road at one of the three points—Dowagiac, Niles or Buchanan. The company wrote to the Graham & Morton company asking what kind of a freight rate the company could secure from those points to Chicago via the lake, or what kind of a joint rate the steamboat company would give. It was found that the rate by lake and rail would not be cheaper than they could secure by rail alone from these points. President Graham of the transportation company was in Chicago and he asked Mr. Robertson who was managing the business for the Farwells why they did not locate the factory at Benton Harbor or St. Joseph and get the benefit of the lake freight rates. The proposition seemed to be a new idea to Mr. Robertson and he let Mr. Graham promising to call upon him the next morning. Mr. Robertson did not keep his word. Instead of the manager calling the three Farwell brothers, the proprietors, were later viewing Mr. Graham the next morning on the Benton Harbor subject—they were more than interested. They practically assured Mr. Graham that if Benton Harbor would furnish the same inducements as the other cities had in the way of rent that she might have the factory.

Mr. Morton said that the company wanted to commence the manufacture of overalls, working shirts and duck coats in a factory of their own outside of Chicago instead of two weeks. They wanted a floor space of 12,000 feet which would accommodate 500 sewing machines. They would start with 100 sewing machines in two weeks and gradually increase the number. The use of 100 machines, he said, meant the employment of 150 hands in all. The wages to be paid the women and girls would run from \$1 to \$1.25 per day. In this statement was made one of the business men interrupted Mr. Morton by saying they could hire men for that figure in Benton Harbor. Mr. Graham could not learn from the company whether they had about decided to go to Niles, Dowagiac or Buchanan. The only thing they said along that line was that Niles offered the building best adapted to their needs.

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THE WEATHER.

Fair tonight and Wednesday. Colder east and central portion. Fresh northwest winds.

Front bargain store had it leased for a term of years. He found that the Avery building on Main street could be had for \$50 per month and the Court-right factory for \$1,800 per year. The Werkmen furniture factory, owned by George B. Thayer & Co., was investigated and Mr. Morton believed that this would fill the bill. The owners had offered to lease it for five years for \$700 per year. The building is supplied with a good steam engine and boiler and the steam pipes for heating the building are in position. The factory has a floor space of 25,000 square feet and the overall factory would only require 12,000 feet. Mr. Morton argued that as the Farwell company now employed 13,000 women on different lines of work in Chicago it would only be a little time before the factory space was all utilized. The difference of freight rates in favor of Benton Harbor is enough to make Benton Harbor preferable over all the other places named and the only thing needed to secure the factory, was immediate and decisive action.

As soon as Mr. Morton had finished there was no need for any more argument. Some one merely asked, "What is the best way to raise this money?"

Mr. Morton suggested that 100 men be found who would sign notes for \$100, payable \$20 per year for five years. This seemed to strike the situation and one after another volunteered to give such notes. Fourteen hundred dollars was raised in about two minutes and a committee consisting of Frank F. Pratt and C. J. Peck was appointed to secure the remainder of 100 notes. These notes will yield a revenue of \$2,000 per year and besides securing the overall factory it will help secure for Benton Harbor other industries.

President Miller stated that he had received a letter from the Goldberg feather and flower company of 375 Maxwell street, Chicago. They are

now operating a factory giving employment to 60 hands and they want to move to Benton Harbor.

During the discussion of the factory site Capt. James McDonald stated that Mr. McHughan and himself owned a brick building, the old Heinz pickle works, and they would rent it for \$450 per year. The committee will inspect the building.

The following committee was appointed to meet the representatives of the Farwell company and to sign the contract with them: J. J. Miller, J. H. Graham, J. S. Morton, Charles Foster, C. M. Edick and C. J. Peck.

As soon as the matter was settled Mr. Morton enthusiastically congratulated the board upon its action. He said:

"It is not so much the fact that we are to get a factory employing several hundred hands that will be of value to Benton Harbor but the chief advantage will be in the fact that John V. Farwell & Co are going to locate a factory in Benton Harbor. Chicago is full of small factories which would like to move from the big city and the action of the Farwell company will greatly influence them. You know the Farwell company is a concern nearly as well known throughout the country as is Marshall Field."

Everyone started for home feeling that a new era of prosperity was in sight of Benton Harbor.

ST. JOSEPH AWAKE.

Was Ready to Give Inducement to Secure Overall Factory.

Had the board of trade failed to take decisive action last night in regard to the overall factory the citizens of St. Joseph would have made an effort to double up the plumb.

Early this morning one of the most progressive business men of St. Joseph called at the office of the newspaper and asked Mr. Robertson who was managing the business for the Farwells why they did not locate the factory at Benton Harbor or St. Joseph and get the benefit of the lake freight rates.

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COMPELLED TO STEAL

SOMERS. MINNE DECLARED YES-TERDAY.

James Minne and wife were arrested yesterday for stealing chickens and were taken before Justice Graves. Mrs. Minne testified that her husband fixed the wagon for the chicken stealing business and that he compelled her to steal. She was fined \$10 and costs and her husband was taken to the county jail.

While Mr. Minne was in Justice Graves' court yesterday the sheriff asked him about the plush robes found hidden in his house and he said that he did not steal them but that his brother Max brought them to his house and asked him to keep them for him. About three minutes later the brother referred to, came into the justice court to see what the law would do with his brother.

The sheriff asked him about the two robes stolen from Charles Dana and he said that he found them in the road near King's landing. The sheriff told him it sounded like a fish story and that he better come to jail with his brother.

After considerable work he secured bail in the sum of \$150.

Willie West was sentenced to the county jail for 30 days for being with Mrs. Minne when the chickens were stolen.

DEATH OF MRS. DIXON.

Died at the Home of Her Son on Superior Street.

Died this morning at the residence of her son, Charles S. Dixon, 201 Superior street, Mrs. Mary E. Dixon, wife of Willis E. Dixon, an old resident of Benton township. Her death resulted from a complication of heart and Bright's diseases. Her age is 67 years, 2 months and 19 days. The funeral services will be held at her daughter's, Mrs. H. H. Hughes, 185 Ogden avenue, Thursday at 10 o'clock, and the remains will be interred at the Pearl Orange cemetery. She leaves one brother, Lester Oats, formerly of this city; one sister, Mrs. J. W. Wilson of St. Joseph; two daughters, Mrs. H. H. Hughes, of this city; Agnes Osborne, of Union City; and one son, Charles S. Dixon, of this city to mourn their loss.

I. O. O. F. Work Tonight.

Benton Lodge, I. O. O. F. will have work at the meeting tonight. The door staff is requested to be present.

The Debt of Hospitality.

It is a question whether it pays to accept much hospitality. When one is over-indebted the strain shows in a certain obsequiousness of manner which is hard to conceal. The man or more especially the woman, who is boarding, without the householder's gracious right of hospitality and welcome, is appreciative of kindness. "Well ask Mary, for she's lonely," and thus begins a false position and a species of bondage. Mary comes and comes again, each time paying her way with amusing speeches and thoughtful compliments. She has a limited income or salary, which prevents her from living, as all women should, under her own roof-tree. It is true she has a few books, pictures, draperies, perhaps furniture enough for two rooms, but she cannot entertain, except with chafing dish suppers or boarding house luncheons—hacking the one and dreary the other. Her friends come as apologetically as they are asked. Soft goes. Mary becomes, in time, a social parasite, and feels, when out, like the comic burlesque of olden times, who must laugh and patter for his bread and salt.—N. Y. Herald.

A Czar's Novel Visiting Card.

The Russians tell a story of the late Czar Alexander III that upon his occasions when it was inconvenient upon him to pay a call he would take a card, print upon it "Czar's Visage and Supererception" and twirl it between thumb and finger, leave it in lieu of a card—the only man in Russia who had strength for the feat.—Ladies' Home Journal.

Dr. J. A. Jarvis will be located at room 5, the Jones & Sonner block, on or after January 1, 1900.

Probate Court.

The will of R. Barber, Esq., deceased, late of Somers, in this state, was

recently proved and admitted to probate and Ordillian, his lawyer, was appointed executrix of said estate.

George A. Charsley, County agent, made complaint that Bert Ostendorf, a child under 12 years, was neglected and ill treated and asked that he be sent to the state public school at Coldwater. Hearing will take place on January 25 at 10 a.m.

The will of Joseph W. Hauser, deceased, late of St. Joseph, was proved and admitted to probate, and Francis Hauser, widow of deceased, was appointed administratrix with the will annexed of said estate.

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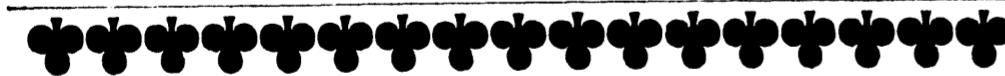
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NEWS IS HELD BACK.

Nothing Known of Buller's Operations on Monday.

BELIEF THAT FIGHTING CONTINUES.

Unconfirmed Report That Lord Dundonald Has Entered Ladysmith with a Force of 1,600 Men.

London, Jan. 23.—Gen. Buller has reported nothing of his operations on Monday, and official and press intelligence leaves the British bivouacked Sunday night on the ground they had won after two days' fighting. Military men assume that fighting must have taken place, and that it was probably more severe than on the two preceding days. Gen. Buller would not be likely to give the Boers leisure to add to the elaborate entrenchments, to arrange their artillery and to concentrate their forces.

The British military experts all share the hopes of their leaders and, as Spencer Wilkinson points out, they hesitate to say a word that might be interpreted as unfavorable. Mr. Wilkinson refers to the "cooler judgment of German and Austrian critics," which means that some of the best judges look upon Gen. Buller's enterprise as a forlorn hope, as merely a continual strain of fighting, which may prove too much for the physical energy of the troops engaged.

Lucks Confirmation.

Durban, Natal, Jan. 23.—The statement comes from an excellent source in Pietermaritzburg that Lord Dundonald has entered Ladysmith with 1,600 men. This is not confirmed from any other quarter, but it is known that Lord Dundonald's flying

Gen. Lyttleton's skirmish on Saturday, Gen. Warren continues pushing, though he is necessarily making very slow progress, as the Boers are numerous and strongly entrenched. Our infantry are working over parallel ridges, with Lord Dundonald's cavalry lying well out on the left flank and awaiting developments. The Boers contest every inch of the ground. This morning Gen. Warren's artillery reopened fire, but the Boers did not reply, and our fire became less hot. The naval guns in front here have been quiet. A Boer prisoner who was brought in boasted that it would take us three months to reach Ladysmith."

THE MINE WORKERS.

Gulf Between the Men and the Operators is Apparently Growing Wider.

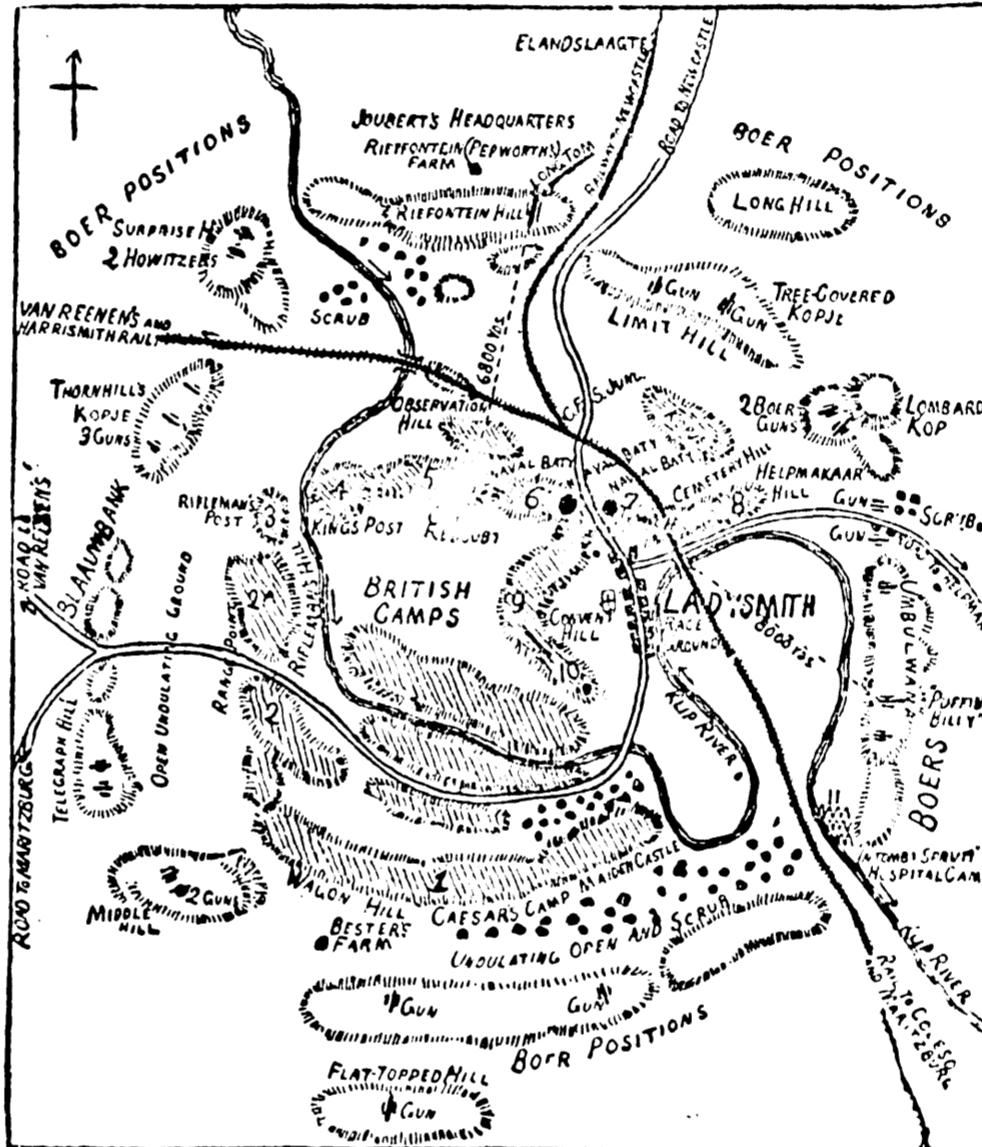
Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 23.—Members of the scale committee of the operators held a meeting at the Dennison Monday night and considered the proposition of the miners for an advance of 20 cents per ton, run of mine coal, and a differential rate of seven cents. The meeting was secret and the result of the meeting was not made known, but it is generally understood that the operators are willing to grant an advance of ten cents per ton run of mine coal.

The gulf between miners and operators seems wider than ever. The Indiana operators, in their secret meeting, decided to stand out for the present differential of 25 per cent, between pick and machine mined coal, amounting to about ten cents a ton, and to insist on the right to use screens. The Illinois operators decided on a ten cent differential and the use of screens. The trend of speeches was against a 20 cent advance in run of mine coal at all of the meetings.

ALLOW BILL TO BE FILED.

Supreme Court Makes Summons in Drainage Canal Case Returnable April 2.

Washington, Jan. 23.—In the case of



MAP SHOWING BRITISH AND BOER POSITIONS ABOUT LADYSMITH

column has been acting well to the left of the line of advance.

Sunday's Casualties.

London, Jan. 23.—Just before midnight the war office issued the following dispatch from Gen. Buller:

"Spearman's Camp, Jan. 22.—The following casualties are reported in Gen. Hart's brigade as the result of yesterday's fighting: Killed—Capt. Ryall, Yorkshire regiment, and five men. Wounded—Second Lieut. Andrews, Border regiment; Capt. MacLaughlan, Inniskillings; Lieut. Barlow, Yorkshire regiment, and 75 men. Missing—eight men. Other casualties will be forwarded when received."

The foregoing was all the war office had issued up to midnight. Nothing, therefore, is known here as yet regarding Monday's operations.

Hot Fighting on Sunday.

London, Jan. 23.—The Daily Mail has the following, dated Sunday night, from Spearman's Camp:

"There has been hot fighting all day. At dawn our attack was resumed along the entire line, all the brigades taking part. We soon discovered that the Boers still occupied the ridge of hills in force, their position being very strong. The large guns intersected by steep ravines and many approaches were difficult of access. To-day the Boers who were driven from the trenches yesterday took cover in ditches and behind old trees with which the hills are strewn. The forces, therefore, conducted the task of driving them out, and to work with good heart in the valley below. Much firing took place, and one engagement was slow, but gradually British power increased, and the Boers fell back to another kopje. We swarmed up and over the hill, and then the attack recommenced with the utmost gallantry.

"The action was sharp and hot, but favorable to guerrilla warfare, and our losses at arm's distance. A victory was being gradually accomplished. When the Boers saw the enemy were observed to leave their position in field batteries and in showers of shrapnel, and the rapid movement of the guns, followed by accurate shooting, must have greatly disconcerted them. The enemy were on the defensive almost the entire day, save once, when they attempted to outflank our left, and were sharply checked. They fled almost entirely on rifle fire. A few shots were fired from a heavy piece of ordnance, but these fell harmless.

"We now occupy the lower crest on the left, and are converging slowly but surely to the Boer center. The Boer loss is unknown, but must have been heavy. The killed and wounded are carried away to the rear rapidly. The strong rumor is in circulation that the Boers are retreating. The battle will be resumed to-morrow."

Making Slow Progress.

Pond du Lac, Wis., Jan. 23.—Two children, Harold Stanfill, aged six, and Frank Murphy, aged five, were drowned in the Ford du Lac river Monday afternoon. The latter was a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Murphy, of Chicago, and was visiting his grandfather, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Clark, of this city.

PASSED AWAY.

Rochester, N. Y., Jan. 23.—Theodore Bacon, one of the most prominent lawyers of western New York, and who was an independent candidate for governor against Theodore Roosevelt in 1908, died Monday, aged 65 years.

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POLICE NOT INVITED.

Prize Fight in a Barn on Broadway
Last Night Between Two
Young Men.

NINE ROUNDS FINISHED IT.

The Boys Started in for a Fight
to Last for Twenty-Five
Rounds.

In a barn on Broadway last night occurred a disgraceful prize fight between two young fellows named Lane and Weaver, respectively. The seconds are said to have been a well known football player, and a young fellow known as "Skinny Wellfed."

An effort is being made to keep the affair a secret from the police. The barn was closely guarded last night by a picked force of sentinels and if any officer had appeared in that direction the boys would have scattered.

The fight was arranged for twenty-five rounds but it was seen at the very outset that Lane was no match for Weaver and at the end of the ninth round the former could not respond to the call of time.

These pugilistic encounters among the boys are growing in popularity and the police are keeping a close lookout and it is certain that some of the sports who engage in this sort of amusement will be surprised by the officers and brought to task.

CITY LIGHTS PROFITABLE

Logansport Report Shows Well For
Municipal Ownership.

Logansport, Ind., Jan. 23.—The clerk of the electric light department submitted his annual report at the last meeting of the city council, showing a total cost of operation for the year \$23,973. The cash receipts from private lighting, rent of meters, sale of lamps and miscellaneous were about \$20,000. Other credits, such as street lighting and light service in various city departments, brings the total up to \$34,000, an increase in gross earnings over last year of \$4,000, but a decrease in net earnings over last year of \$7,000. During the year \$22,000 was expended in extensions, \$350 for electric machinery, \$1,800 for power house addition, \$12,000 for engines and boilers, \$2,000 for incandescent lines, \$1,800 for transformers, \$3,000 for meters, \$700 for street lines. The total cost of plant since its establishment has been \$130,665.

In an open discussion following the reading of the report, Councilman S. B. Boyer charged that there was mismanagement in operating the plant and suggested methods which, in his opinion, would save money. Councilman Thomas Austin asserted that the plant was not making expenses and that by reason of expenditures from the general fund private citizens who did not have the service were, therefore, paying taxes to give their neighbors luxuries which consumers should pay themselves. Mr. Austin maintained that light could not be furnished by a private corporation for less than 5 or 6 cents per 1,000 watts, and that it was evident that the city was losing money in furnishing service at 5 cents per 1,000 watts.

The city administration is democratic at present, but the plant is a Republican child and it is argued that the party now in control cannot constantly raise rates, which appears to be profitable under republican management. However, the service is satisfactory and it is believed that an increase in price would cause little objection. The plant is a model and has been inspected by city authorities, who, in many instances, cities have been influenced to adopt the municipal ownership idea.

Fell Back and Died.

Niles, Jan. 23.—Mrs. Lamberton, formerly a resident of near Barren lake, was here from Dakota on a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Anna Kingston, and at an early hour Sunday morning arose, feeling well. A few minutes later she said she felt ill and when her daughter asked what to do Mrs. Lamberton fell back and died from exhaustion of the heart. The remains were shipped to her home in Dakota.

Advertised Letters.

List of unclaimed letters remaining in this office for the week ending January 23, 1900:

LADIES
Badgley, Emilie Johnson, Mrs. Amanda
Clark, Mary Redgate, Mrs. Lorraine
Eckis, Mrs. J. B. Stevens, Mrs. Harry

GENTLEMEN
Fox Cigar Co. O'Connell, H. V.
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Kleister, Chas. Sulter, L.
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SETS THEM GUESSING.

Politicians Are Wondering About the Result of Pingree's Latest Move.

Lansing, Jan. 23.—The comments of the politicians on Governor Pingree's anti-Ferry manifesto are interesting. Many of them believe that Saturday's announcement is simply the first chapter and that the governor's real purpose is eventually to demand the republican renomination by threatening to run independently. Others believe that the attack will strengthen Mr. Ferry by solidifying the anti-Pingree element in his favor and by creating the impression among voters that the governor is fearful that if a man whose nomination is not dictated by him is his successor, further exposures of the administration's corruption will be made.

A large number, however, believe that the fear of an independent movement will force the party into nominating some one whom Pingree will permit to make the race without hindrance. These people argue that all the other candidates will profit to a greater or less extent by the governor's attitude.

TOMORROW EVENING

Will Occur the Theatre Excursion to South Bend.

Tomorrow evening the 3-S road will run an excursion from St. Joseph to South Bend for the benefit of those who desire to attend the great play to be given at the Oliver opera house that evening. The South Bend Tribune says of the attraction:

Readers of the statement of the groundwork of "The Adventure of Lady Ursula," a new play by Anthony Hope, which will be presented at the Oliver opera house Wednesday night, by William Morris and his excellent company, will notice that Mr. Hope's talent for invention in a comedy-drama did not run dry. Possibly Mr. Hope took courage from the example of Mr. Barrie, who would not permit a professional adapter to touch "The Little Minister." A casual survey of the plot of "The Adventure of Lady Ursula" is satisfying as to its theatrical elements.

ABOUT THE VICINITY.

West Sodus.

West Sodus, Jan. 23.—Elder Joseph Onweg preached Sunday morning and Elder Eikens in the evening to good congregations. The meetings at Sodus Bethel church will continue this week.

Little May Tabor while playing at school one day last week fell and broke her leg between the knee and hip joint. At last accounts she was doing as well as could be expected.

Mrs. Myrtle King, who was visiting Indiana, was called home on account of the accident to her sister, May Tabor.

Mrs. Alice Brent contemplates going to the northern part of this state this week to join her husband, who is working there.

Mr. and Mrs. William Olds, of Benton Harbor, were with the Bethel people over Sunday.

William Price has taken the job of clearing an acre of ground for Frank Deane.

Jacob Harmon is able to be about again.

MICHIGAN.

Strong's bakery at Lansing was damaged \$1,000 by fire. The store is under the Hotel Butler and the smoke drove the guests out and nearly caused a panic.

A special agent of the postoffice department has recommended two routes in Calumet county for free rural delivery. They will reach about 50 farm residences.

It is argued that the Anti-Saloon league in Detroit has encouraged by private interests in the presentation of about 100 saloon keepers for violation of the liquor laws.

Since last fall Thos. J. Smith, of Ozaukee county, has paid out \$141 in bounties for the killing of 47 waders. They are more numerous this season than for many years.

There is said to be a colony of Mormons attending the University of Michigan whose sole object is the dissemination of the Mormon faith among the students there.

Arthur Hilton, aged 10, was drowned at Dowagiac. His son was brought by his parents from England seven years ago and left to them when they returned. He was very unfortunate.

Pensions were granted on Saturday as follows: Original—John Blederstadt, Fowler, \$6; Restoration and increase—Peter Kocher dead, Marshall, \$10 to \$14; Restoration—residual and increase—Jacob H. Frantz dead, Saginaw, \$8 to \$12; Increase—Joseph M. Morgan, Hanover, \$6 to \$8; Christian Cooz, Perry, \$14 to \$17; Nelson Johnson, Bostwick, \$6 to \$8; William Ellsworth, Huron, \$6 to \$8.

"A Heart as Sturdy as an Oak." If the heart is to be sturdy and the nerves strong, the blood must be warm and pure.

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"One Minute Cough Cure" is the best remedy I ever used for coughs and colds. It is unequalled for a cooping cough, children all like it," writes H. N. Williams, Indianapolis. "It never fails. It is the only harmless remedy that gives immediate results. Cures coughs, colds, hoarseness, creeps, pneumonia, bronchitis and all throat and lung troubles. Its early use prevents consumption. Geo. M. Bell & Co.

ADVERTISING LL GAP

UNDER ITS NEW NAME "HIGHMAN'S MICHIGAN PARK."

John Highman, Jr., of St. Joseph, has already begun a system of advertising to acquaint the country with the new Benton Harbor resort, "Highman's Michigan Park," the new name for Double L gap.

The lake front for half a mile at this resort will blossom as the rose and it will undergo a transformation before the summer season of 1900 opens.

The Big Four Railroad Gazette of January, which has a circulation of 10,000 copies, contains a page advertisement with two fine half tone views of the park. The reading accompanying the pictures is as follows:

"Michigan is famous for her summer resorts, and there is no more charming scenery in the state than can be found in the vicinity of St. Joseph and Benton Harbor. The beautiful orchards, vine-clad hills and the superb climate, makes this lake region an ideal location for summer homes."

"Fine cool climate, charming scenery; good bathing, boating and fishing on lake and rivers, an abundance of fresh fruit and vegetables of every description, and the best of rail and steamboat service to all centers of population, are some of the attractions."

Mr. Highman has arranged for a liberal advertisement in the new catalogue of the Truscott boat company.

CURRENT EVENTS.

Webster Davis will resign as assistant secretary of the interior.

Assistant Secretary of State Hill has been chosen president of Columbian university.

Maud Ballington Booth asks \$1,000 to continue her work of reforming ex-convicts.

Government Inspectors condemned 155,602 animals examined at abattoirs last year.

It is reported that France will send 5,000 troops to Madagascar, fearing British invasion.

The Bohemian coal miners' strike involves 10,000 men. The miners are now off the stock of coal.

The Chicago police laugh at the story that Mrs. Lucretia has been found in Africa.

The house committee favorably reported the bill for the election of senators by a direct vote.

Congressman Caldwell favors a bill to set up a national States conference the American of the U. S. A.

Thomas Hennings, of Chicago, fearing prosecution would follow the breaking of a golden rule, sold his \$100,000 collection of coins and sent a telegram to America with a piece of chain and exchange it for Danish West India.

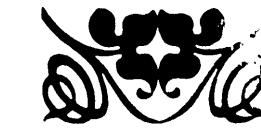
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They go hand in hand. You cannot be perfectly satisfied with yourself or anybody else if you are dressed in clothes that do not fit or ill become you.

It costs but little more to have clothes with a style and fit than to wear garments fitted over a dummy.

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TWIN CITY TELEPHONE 172.

TUESDAY, JAN. 23, 1900.

NILES, Dowagiac, Buchanan, et al,
might just as well spell the name of
Farwell by adding a middle "e."

THE board of trade is to be congratulated on the way it hurried up the overall factory last night. After the members learned exactly what the Chicago company wanted it took two minutes to reach the decision that Benton Harbor would meet the conditions.

THE McMillan republicans are giving out interviews to the effect that if Pingree runs as an independent candidate that it will work more injury to the democratic candidate than anyone else. At the same time some of them say it might be good policy to nominate someone besides Mr. Ferry.

WORK DIDN'T COUNT.

But Care for an Employer's Personal Safety Brought a Rich Reward in This Instance.

When I entered the wholesale house of Blank & Blank," said a leading man in a Third street wholesale house to a Cincinnati Commercial reporter, "I determined to work hard and climb up. That's the way all young men start out, I believe, but as a matter of fact I worked like a dog. I went in at starvation salary, did my best in every respect, and yet it was three years before I got a raise. Then it was only a raise of two dollars per week. After two years more I got a raise of a dollar, and I began to won-



I TOOK HIM HOME.

der if I hadn't better go out and work on the street. There was no raise at the beginning of the sixth year, and as the seventh approached we heard talk of hard times and all that, and were given hints that no one could expect an increase. On Christmas eve I was going home from a party, and presently I found an oldish man in a doorway. He was drunk and in danger of freezing to death, but as I roused him up he gave me his street number, and I took him home. I saw that he lived in a swell house, but I could not make out that I had ever seen him before. On New Year's a stranger called at my house, and I soon made out that he was the man I had taken home. He must have got on to my identity through my mentioning the incident to a policeman who knew me. I had never seen the man about the store, and yet he introduced himself as the senior partner and added:

"Mr. Jones, you have been in our employ almost seven years."

"Yes, sir."

"You have worked hard and given satisfaction."

"Thank you."

"Indeed, you are rated as the most faithful and loyal employee in the establishment."

"It is kind of you, sir."

"But your years of service, hard work and faithfulness don't count for chucks. What counts is the fact that you helped me home the other night when I was tight, and your salary will be raised seven dollars per week from this date!"

"I got the raise, sure enough," laughed the man, "and I was the only one to be advanced a cent. It was a lesson to me not to work so hard inside and to keep my eyes open outside, and I have been the gainer by it."

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable.

For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c.

Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Old papers for sale at this office.

1-4 off Our Fifth Annual Quarter Off Sale 1-4 off

On Tuesday, January 2, 1900, we will commence our FIFTH ANNUAL 1-4 OFF SALE. You all know the reliability of these sales; for the last 5 years we have had them, and every one has been legitimate; no marking up and then reducing, but a straight 25 per cent discount all through the store. Our stock this year is as good as ever, our Dress Goods department in particular. If you need anything for early spring we would advise you to buy now, as everything will cost you much more in the spring.

We Give You \$1.25 on Every \$5.00 in Trade ..EVERY DAY THIS MONTH..

You may have it in dry goods or in money, but we let the grocers sell the sugar. There are only a few days left so you should take advantage of them early.

We are here with the goods--and who notices this more than our competitors?

Remember we continue our great one-fourth off slaughter. We have sold more goods already than we sold during our entire sale last year. See the

Dress Goods, Silks, Outing Flannels, Underwear, Hosiery, Laces, Umbrellas, Shirt Waists, etc.

Table Linens

We are harping at you again on Linens, but we can't help it; we feel that every house in this county should be supplied with our linens; not because we sell them, but because they are cheaper than our competitors. We know they are; we import them ourselves and consequently we save you our profit. And now we are going to reduce even these prices 25 per cent. Why shouldn't you buy now. Better prices than ever.

We practically bar nothing, everything goes. We can save you 50 per cent on spring purchases, as goods are easily worth 25 per cent more than last fall and we discount you 25 per cent. Isn't it worth investigating? Look into our store and then into our competitors', and you tell for yourself who is doing the business.

James & James H. Pound

GIRL'S WILD LEAP.

Jumped on the Pilot of a Locomotive and by This Act Probably Saved Her Life.

Rose Costello was in a hurry when she started for work early yesterday morning, says the Philadelphia Times. She lives at 145 North Second street, and is employed at Scanlan's mill, Third and Huntingdon streets. Rose got up late and hurried from the house. If she arrived at the mill behind time the doors would be closed against her



SHE LEAPED ON THE PILOT.

and she would lose a day's pay—perhaps her situation. On her way she had to cross the Philadelphia & Reading railroad, at Third and Berks streets.

The gates were down at the crossing, but Rose thought she would have time to get across before the approaching train blocked the way. She had scarcely put her foot on the tracks when the engine was upon her. Fortunately for Rose she did not lose her nerve. She leaped on the pilot of the engine, hoping to cling to it until the train was brought to a stop. But she failed and fell off beside the rails, just out of the reach of the wheels.

Bruised and unconscious the girl was picked up and sent to the Episcopal Hospital. Her injuries are severe but not serious.

The Value of Advertising.

A Cullough (Pa.) man who advertised for a wife who can talk, who can sit by the fire with him in the long evenings, and also help him on the farm, has received more than 1,000 answers. It pays to advertise.

Made Young Again.

"One of Dr. King's New Life Pills each night for two weeks has put me in my 'teens' again" writes D. H. Turner of Dempseytown, Pa. They're the best in the world for Liver, Stomach and Bowels. Purely vegetable. Never gripe. Only 25c at Lowe & Witherspoon's drug store.

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We keep the neatest, cleanest and best market in the city.
We buy all our meats in the country.

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Give us your order and be convinced.

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A fine line of ladies', men's and children's Rubbers and Overshoes.

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Mrs. M. B. Hungerford of Binghamton, N. Y., writes of her wonderful cure by using Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve and Blood Pills.

"I was all run down in health and strength. Overwork at fine dressmaking had made me so nervous that I was threatened with Nervous Prostration, and at times was perfectly helpless. A friend who had been made well and strong by using Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve and Blood Pills recommended them to me.

"The results were wonderful in strengthening and building up my nervous system, making me stronger and better in every way. They are a wonderful remedy."

In Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve and Blood Pills, weak, nervous women will find a sovereign remedy for the many weaknesses and ills of their sex.

A month's treatment will work wonders in revitalizing and reinvigorating every organ of the body. Persistent treatment will restore the worst case of nervous womanhood to robust health and strength.

If you are all run down and your strength nearly all spent, do not expect a perfect cure in a day or a week. We cannot guarantee that the impossible, but we will guarantee that if the treatment is persisted in according to directions, that a restoration to health and vigor will result.

There are many imitations of Dr. A. W. Chase's remedies but only one Dr. Chase of "Receive Book" form. Be sure his picture and signature is on every box you buy. Price 50 cents a box, at all druggists, or Dr. A. W. Chase Medicine Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Look At This!

At a meeting of the white cedar shingle manufacturers of Michigan and Wisconsin, held at Marinette on the 13th of this month, they advanced the prices on all grades of white cedar shingles 10 cts per M. and in all probability there will be another advance. I have a million and a half of all grades of cedar shingles that I will sell at the old price for the next 60 days. Remember I keep a full line of paints also, building material, sash and doors.

90ft JAMES McDONALD

New Real Estate Agency.

The West Michigan Real Estate agency, room S. Bowman block, is now prepared to handle all kinds of real estate. Parties wishing to buy, sell or exchange will do well to call and examine a large list of property now on hand for sale and exchange. Some especially good bargains. Remember the place, room S. Bowman block, 9512

Miss Annie E. Gunning, Tyre, Mich. says: "I suffered a long time from dyspepsia; lost flesh and became very weak. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure completely cured me." It digests what you eat and cures all forms of stomach trouble. It never fails to give immediate relief in the worst cases. Geo. M. Bell & Co.

Dr. J. A. Jarvis will be located at room 5, the Jones & Sonner block, on or after January 1, 1900.

DeWitt's Little Early Risers purify the blood, clean the liver, invigorate the system. Famous little pills for constipation and liver troubles. Geo. M. Bell & Co.

Why not try a sack of Nold's Best Flour?

Having greatly improved the quality of flour known as Wedding Bells, we will now place on the market a new brand, which will be known as

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It is equal to most winter wheat patents. Try a sack, all leading grocers keep it.

Call at Gifford's livery and get a good rig at your own price.

It takes but a minute to overcome tickling in the throat and to stop a cough by the use of One Minute Cough Cure. This remedy quickly cures all forms of throat and lung troubles. Harmless and pleasant to take. It prevents consumption. A famous specific for grippe and its after effects. Geo. M. Bell & Co.

Dr. S. M. White dentist

Mrs. R. Churchill, Berlin, Vt., says: "Our baby was covered with running sores. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cured her." A specific for piles and skin diseases. Beware of worthless counterfeits. Geo. M. Bell & Co.

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LOCAL BREVITIES

Of all wise men the world did see
Is See Jay Peck in minority?
In the twentieth century he dwells all alone,
The other man's ignorance cannot forgive him.
But See Jay Peck is right all agree.
'Cause he lives in the twentieth century—see?

LECTURE at the Universalist church this evening.

THE Rescue Mission was surprised yesterday by receiving the gift of \$1 from a St. Joseph saloonkeeper.

THE regular meeting of Henry C. Rowe circle of G. A. R. will be held tomorrow at 2:30 at the G. A. R. hall.

L. L. MERRILL has put a new front in the office vacated by the Benton fuel company, and which is now occupied by the American express company.

DEPUTY Sheriff Lynn Ferguson left this morning for Ionia with Duncan, Mitchell and Bartram, who were sentenced by Judge Coolidge last week.

THE case of the people vs. Steenie charged with stealing wood from a lady Leathers was heard in Justice Graves court this morning. The people reside near Niles.

REV. Fred V. Hawley of Jackson will deliver his lecture on "The Sanctities of Life," at the Universalist church this evening. Doors open at 7 and lecture will begin at 8 o'clock.

THE special evangelistic services in the Presbyterian church continue each evening this week except Saturday. Interest is deepening, many hearts are being quickened, and much quiet work is being done with fruitful results.

THE Anderson-Tully company, manufacturers of fruit packages, will build a new iron covered warehouse next spring. It will 110x50 feet, two stories high, and located near their other warehouses. The contract for the construction will be let in a short time.

SHERIFF Ferguson has received a letter from the marshal of Prairie du Chien asking for information as to the whereabouts of George Kelts. The letter stated that Kelts lived in that village for 18 years and owned considerable property there and that he also property in Iowa.

THE outside work on the Bell opera house is rapidly nearing completion and Contractor George A. Mills says that if he can have one week more of pleasant weather the roof will be in place and the weather will cut no figure with the completion as all the work will be on the inside.

WILLIAM Morris and his own company including Francis Drake, in "Adventures of Lady Ursula" will be the attraction at the Oliver opera house in South Bend tomorrow evening. A special theatre train will run on the 3-S road leaving St. Joseph at 6:45 and returning after the performance. A special rate has been made.

THE social society of the W. R. C. will meet with Mrs. Russell of St. Joseph tomorrow afternoon. All members are requested to be present as the following officers will be installed: President, Charlotte Lyons; senior vice president, Anna Eastman; treasurer, Hannah Gray; secretary, Lydia Palmer. Other business will also be transacted.

DO NOT forget that the Modern Woodmen of America have a benefit at Conkey's hall, in Benton Harbor, on Wednesday, February 7. Tickets can now be had from members of the lodge, price 25 cents, which can be exchanged for reserved seat tickets at Lowe & Witherspoon's drug store by paying 10 cents extra. Reserve your seats as early as possible as a very large crowd will be in attendance.

AFTER the lecture at the Universalist church this evening a reception will be tendered Rev. and Mrs. Beem and Dr. Hawley, the lecturer. Refreshments will be served and the following program rendered: Organ solo, Mrs. Christopher; solo, Floyd Daigneau; duet, Mrs. Pearl and Mrs. Gatchell; organ solo, Mrs. Christopher; solo, Prof. Kneeland. Everyone is cordially invited to remain to the reception.

JOHN Layman, the man who was arrested charged with stealing sheep, furnished bail this morning in the sum of \$500 and was released from the county jail. The trial of Layman and Proskaska is set for February 12. Layman declares that he is innocent of the charge against him and that the story that his son tells is absolutely false. It is claimed at the county jail that Layman confessed to stealing the sheep when he was first arrested. At attorney J. W. Ford and an attorney from South Bend will defend Layman and Proskaska when they appear in the circuit court.

A Card.
We the undersigned, do hereby agree to refund the money on a 50-cent bottle of Green's Wafered Syrup of Tar if it fails to cure your cough or cold. We also guarantee a 25-cent bottle to prove satisfactory or money refunded.

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Old papers for sale at this office.

Jud. Rice challenges any attorney of the twin cities to compete with him in framing legal documents.

Old papers for sale at this office.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY.

WANTED—FOUR FOOT WOOD.

Seeley McCord, Brickyard.

BRYANT IN THE EAST.

The Democratic Leader Reaches New York City.

HE TALKS BRIEFLY OF HIS PLANS.

Ways for Bringing Gold Democrats Into the Fold—He Will, in His Speeches, Discuss Silver, Trusts and Imperialism.

New York, Jan. 23.—William Jennings Bryan arrived in Jersey City from Washington at 6:42 o'clock Monday morning, and was met by James Oliver, sergeant-at-arms of the democratic national committee, and a number of newspaper reporters. Mr. Bryan was escorted to the Hoffman house, the headquarters of the state democracy, in which hotel a suite of rooms had been engaged for him. Mr. Bryan said to the reporters that he hoped his presence in New York would contribute to a general good feeling all around.

One of Mr. Bryan's callers asked him what he thought of O. H. P. Belmont as a vice presidential candidate. "I am not saying a word about candidates just now," he replied.

A reporter asked Mr. Bryan if there was any truth in a statement in a morning paper that he was gradually abandoning the silver issue.

"I am tired of denying those stories," Mr. Bryan answered. "I will keep right on in the same line I have followed all along. I adhere to my belief in the Chicago platform; but, of course, I don't object to throwing in some more issues for good measure."

The Gold Democrats.

Mr. Bryan will endeavor to bring gold democrats to the party, reporters.

"Yes, I have a speech to be delivered to my tax payers come out in the second place, and the people in the third place, who are not yet back at this moment to the party. In the second place, there are some who will return on one or two grounds either now or very soon. In the third place, those who have not in '96 or '97 voted for the democratic platform on new questions that have arisen since then, and are willing to take the whole platform, while not agreeing with every point of it. The only way of keeping gold democrats in the party and bringing gold democrats back, and inducing non-voters to join us, is to avoid the major issues that are bad for the people, and thus deserve their support. I believe that the Chicago platform, with the addition of new questions, including strong plank against trusts and in favor of wood give excuse to everybody to vote the democratic ticket in '00."

Will Discuss Three Issues.

Mr. Bryan was asked if he regarded any of the three issues as a dominant one, but he said he did not care to discuss their relative importance.

To an inquiry as to whether he intended to discuss only trusts and imperialism while in the east, to the exclusion of silver, Mr. Bryan said that he would discuss all three of them whether he was in the east or in the west. While here, he said, he was not going to meddle in local politics.

Mr. Bryan was the guest of honor at a dinner given by O. H. P. Belmont Monday night at his residence on Fifth avenue. The dinner was private, no reporters being admitted, and to a penciled note Mr. Belmont made response: "There will be nothing at, during or after the dinner for publication. The dinner is a purely social affair, and of no public interest." Mr. Bryan was the only guest of national prominence, but big men in Tammany Hall were present.

Harmony Restored.

Mr. Bryan will spend to-day in New York, and in the evening will be the guest of John W. Keller, president of the Democratic club, at the club. This dinner is understood to mean that Mr. Bryan and the Tammany organization are in complete harmony, where as ten months ago Mr. Bryan and Perry Belmont, then president of the Democratic club, were exchanging bitter letters. Wednesday night Mr. Bryan is to address a meeting in Jersey City. Congressman Daly and Robert Davis, of New Jersey, have sought to induce Mr. Bryan to drop silver in the Jersey City speech, and it was thought they had made some impression on the Nebraskan, but he said: "I intend to discuss all three living issues of the day—money, trusts and imperialism—in my speeches. I am getting tired of having one particular topic suggested for my speeches by those who like one theme more than another."

ANOTHER VICTORY.

Eight Hundred Filipinos Defeated and Town of Taal Captured by Americans.

Manila, Jan. 23.—Two companies of the Forty-sixth infantry, under Maj. Johnson, and three companies of the Thirty-eighth infantry, commanded by Maj. Muir, defeated 800 insurgents at Taal, province of Batangas, Saturday, taking the town. The United States gunboat Marietta also shelled the place. The insurgents had four captures, two of which were captured. Two Americans were wounded and later resuscitated.

To Attend Anti-trust Conference.
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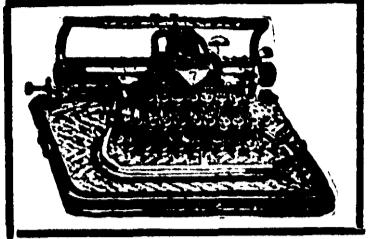
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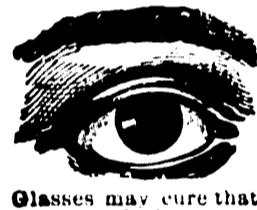
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"Without going into particulars, or mentioning names, it has seemed to me that this would be an excellent time to confess our preparations so that we may quit this beautiful spot with a clear conscience. I would suggest—"

"To what do you refer, Brother Smith?" asked the Pastor.

"To put it in plain English," said Smith, "I think we have all lied more or less, and now would be a good time to tell the truth."

"I presume that you realize that there are exceptions to that statement of 'all,' Brother Smith," said the Pastor. "Now, I—"

"I made no exceptions, and intended none," said Smith. "As for myself, I am here to state now that I have lied; lied as big as I knew how and still make it a lie that might believe, and I guess you fellows swallowed it without much question."

"I have not believed a single thing you have said about fish since you have been here," said the Pastor.

"Nor I," echoed the others.

"The biggest lie that I have told since I have been here was that one about the number of bass Yorke and I caught in Healey lake. We were trying to outdo the Pastor, and did so far as the lie was concerned, and if he did not hear our story, it was because his own was not true. What was?"

"I shall have to refer this matter to the congregation when we reach home, Brother Smith," put in the Pastor.

"I would advise you not to," replied Smith, "but as I was going to say, what we did catch that day was all in the boat when we returned, and, as several members of this club counted them, it will not be disputed when I say there were 138 bass of over the legal length."

"It was only 128, for I counted them together with Husky Bill," said Tice.

"What is the matter of ten bass more or less, anyway?" replied Smith. "But where, gentlemen, in my confession, 138 bass instead of the five or six hundred that I told about, and I believe that every one will feel better if they follow my example."

"I believe that the advice Smith gives us is good," said Yorke, "and I realize now as I never did before the enormity of the lie I told in reference to the muskellunge I caught in Crane lake."

"You don't need to make any confession of that," said the Pastor, "for everybody knew that it was a lie when you told it."

"It seems to me that I remember distinctly of your going to Crane lake to fish for muskellunge on the strength of that story," replied Yorke, "and it was not as bad as your Crown island bass story at that."

"My veracity is not in question at the present time," replied the Pastor.

"No, we will hear from you later," said Yorke, "provided, of course, your conscience is not too elastic. But to return to my Crane lake story, I simply wish to say that I did catch a muskellunge, and that it did upset our boat, but that was due to our awkwardness, rather than the size of the fish, for when we got it on shore, which we finally did, it only weighed 42 pounds."

"You told me the truth of that Crane lake story the day we were at Healey lake together," said Smith, "and you said it only weighed 37 pounds."

"What is a matter of five pounds more or less in the size of a muskellunge?" said Yorke, and Bill Reeves nudged Husky Bill when Smith did not reply.

"I have told so many different tales regarding the size and weight of fish that I have caught in these Ontario lakes and rivers," said Tice, "that I hardly know where to begin my confession."

"Why not straighten out the Moon river story of 38 muskellunge, 79 bass and 120 trout in ten hours?" asked Husky Bill.

"That might be a good place to begin at, as that story was exaggerated somewhat. The truth is that I only caught 35 muskellunge, 60 bass and no trout at all, for I did not fish for them. There are any number of trout in that stream and its tributaries, however, and I do not doubt that it would be quite possible for a man to catch as many fish as I said I had caught in the Moon river in the length of time I claimed to have fished. In reality I only fished nine hours and three quarters. As for the other stories I have told about fishing in Kah-pee-kog and the surrounding lakes, I can cover all of them with the single statement that I never caught more than 110 bass in any one day in any of these lakes, but that, I imagine, is better than any of the rest of you ever did, if the whole truth was known."

"Gentlemen," began the Pastor, "when Brother Smith started this little expediting meeting, I did not realize the good that it was to accomplish. In fact, I was afraid it would result in more harm than good, and that the prevarications I cannot bring myself to the point of calling them lies, that have been told by several of you around these evening fires, would only be again exaggerated and that some of you actually would return to your homes with an idea that we get to hear of these stories. If you passed me over to listen to such confessions as have been made this evening, and I am sure that you have, the effect of it may have made them to believe one thing for which I am sorry, at that is that Brother Smith is not here to instruct the story, instead of telling more lies than I caught at Crane lake, and several years ago. I am sorry that had Brother Harris been with us, I could have told him what I was moved to tell the ten truths of that story, and so remove a load from his conscience."

"What are you going to do about the story of yours that started the trouble?" asked Tice.

"I will not say in regard to anything that I may have told since I have been here, that to now deny the story, and offer a so-called confession would be but a farce and a lie in itself. When I told of those 200 bass my self and tried again in one day—"

"You said 200 bass," said Smith.

"Possibly I did, but 200 was the correct number, and I only wished to correct my former statement."

"I guess those bonds you put up guarantee the Pastor's reputation will be declared forfeited when you get home," said Husky Bill to Smith, as they walked back to the clubhouse.

"Well, it has taught me a lesson, anyway," replied Smith, "and I won't be so foolish again very soon. I am sorry for his sake."

PRESENCE OF MIND.

BY ERNEST M'GAFFEY.

THE courtship of Roland Belden and Mattie Parker had progressed with little to distinguish it from ordinary affairs of the kind. The usual round of parties and dances, the tennis in summer, the skating in winter, and occasionally a stagger at what was called "private theatricals," that chamber of horrors proceeding which sensible young people sometimes inflict upon a community. If there was fault to be found with Roland it was for a heavy-sided grandeur of his own, gravity and profound conceit. He was a good fellow, however, well liked, well dressed and quite conscious of his many advantages.

His fiancee was of an entirely opposite temperament, being vivacious, unconventional, and not given to posing, as it was sometimes darkly hinted her lover was. They were definitely to be married in the spring, and only lately had there come the slightest possibility of a disarrangement as to such an event. But gossip, dearly beloved of the ladies, had gotten it into her bonnet that there was a small cloud in the horizon.

Henry Holt was an old school chum of Mattie's but was not on speaking terms with her intended. It was whispered that he had taken the announcement of her engagement very much to heart, but if he had, it was not perceptible in the nonchalant way in which he kept up his old friendship for Mattie. Wherever she went he contrived to be, but always accompanied by some one of the girls of Mattie's acquaintance. And he was never more nor gloomy, as Roland sometimes allowed himself the privilege of being.

It was a dance, Holt would manage to have at least one waltz with Mattie. If it was a tennis party, Holt managed invariably to either play opposite Mattie and her partner, or he would play a set or two acting as her partner. There was nothing exactly obtrusive in the way in which he arranged for this, but it seemed vulgar scheming to the lordly Roland. Not that he minded it particularly, for it never occurred to him that there was such a thing as being "engaged to be engaged" as well as "being engaged to be married." So he allowed a good deal of latitude to his sweetheart, which was an unwise thing to do, for a woman respects a man's being too entirely sure of her adoration for him.

The little rift within the airt of the young people's apparent happiness was not perceptible to either of them as yet, but the man took the worst way possible to mend matters when he undertook to call his fiancee to account for the way things were going. A remark he had heard on the ears to the effect that no one but a nutkin-head like Belden would fail to see that he was losing his girl, pierced through his rhinoceros self-conceit, and angered him deeply. He resolved to give Mattie some sound advice. That evening he introduced the subject, delicately, as he thought, by saying:

"By the way, I don't wish you to accept any more attentions from Holt."

"Why, what do you mean, Roland?" inquired Mattie, in some surprise.

"Well," said her lover, "don't dance with the fellow any more, don't play tennis with him any more, and don't skate with him any more."

"How is it that you have suddenly become so censorious?" the girl asked. "Come now, if you were to tell the truth, you have heard some busybody's remark and that is what has started you on your mission of reform."

"If I were to tell you the truth?" he retorted. "Don't I generally tell you the truth?"

"I don't believe you have in this instance," replied Mattie, "nor I am sure you have heard some spiteful criticism, and instead of telling me of it, you come and speak as though it was an idea of your own."

"Am I not supposed to have ideas of my own?" inquired the aggrieved lover.

"Not such ridiculous ideas as those you have just stated."

"Well, will you follow my directions?" asked Roland.

"If you had asked them in the right way I probably should have acceded to your wishes," said Mattie, "but as you put it at present, it's absurd."

This closed the incident, but the words rankled in the minds of both.

One afternoon when Roland, who was a very indifferent man on the ice, had been particularly sulky, Mattie went down to the river with him, and he gloomily fastened on her skates and said he would wait inside the little house that had been built for the skaters until she returned. His temper was a growing grievance with Mattie, and she stepped out on the ice only to slip and would have fallen had not Holt, who happened to be standing near, caught her. To thank him was perfectly natural, and when he asked her for a turn on the ice she unhesitatingly, perhaps a little recklessly, acquiesced.

Holt carried a stout hickory stick, and they crossed paths over this and started down the river.

They skated up and down, Holt leading, until the last of the crowd of village skaters was far in the wake. Not a word had been said on either side, for the embarrassment was mutual. He shrewdly guessed that Belden had said something which made the girl bad him in the skating, for she had been gracious enough the winter before, and the engagement was then a fact as well as now. They were both speed-skaters, and as there was not a breath of wind in that she tried very hard to sway from side to side, as well as when she was gracefully moving in opposing winds. The stroke of their skates cut the slush to pieces, spinned it aside, and receded out of perfect time and tune together. It was beautiful to see them.

As they passed the bridge, the coast didn't appear to teach the girl to hold on tight. Holt pushed the girl to safety, and for a brief second she clung to his neck and "Hold to the string," he cried, and she did, with a few tears of surprise, when she was pulled down.

"But the stream there was so deep, so sharp, so cold, and so strong, a fast current, that she slipped off and was more than twice as wet as when she got on top of her skates."

"I guess the great majority of us would have done the same," said Holt, "but I am sorry for you, and I am sorry for myself, too. You are a good girl, and I am sorry for you."

"I am sorry for you, too," said Mattie.

"Possibly I did, but 200 was the correct number, and I only wished to correct my former statement."

"I guess those bonds you put up guarantee the Pastor's reputation will be declared forfeited when you get home," said Husky Bill to Smith, as they walked back to the clubhouse.

"Well, it has taught me a lesson, anyway," replied Smith, "and I won't be so foolish again very soon. I am sorry for his sake."

"I deserve better than that, anyway," he said, bitterly.

"You deserve better than any man living in my eyes," she replied, "even if you do stand here reproaching me."

He took her in his arms as she clasped him around his neck and said: "I have been thinking that all the time."

A Decided Success

We have yet to hear of a case of cough that Nox-a-Koff will not cure. Have you heard of the remarkable cures and the many testimonials we have received from the people of Berrien county? Nox-a-Koff possesses that something which relieves the throat with the first dose taken and is a valuable remedy in any family, especially where you have children. Harry L. Bird, maker of the celebrated remedy certainly has faith in it as it is sold with the distinct understanding that if it does not cure you can have your money back. The price is

SOCIETY AND PERSONAL

Miss Minnie Klum is the guest of friends in Keeler.

John Seel is assisting City Treasurer Monger this week.

Minnie Klum went to Keeler today to spend a few days.

Prof. Fred Null went to Elkhart this morning on business.

Mrs. A. B. Bisbee who has been very ill is much better and it is now thought she will recover.

Mr. and Mrs. George Thomas and daughter Gladys are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Klum.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Summerhill returned to their home in this city yesterday after visiting with relatives at Elkhart, Ind.

A. A. Johnson returned last night from Wabash, where he has been visiting for several weeks past. Mrs. Johnson will remain in Wabash for some time yet.

Eugene Hunt of Kankakee, formerly proprietor of the Hotel Higbee in this city was the guest of A. H. Wiggins last evening on his way to Grand Rapids.

Stanley Guy, Edward Zuver, Daniel Muth and Daniel Carney, of Coloma, were in the city last night and attended the meeting held at the Hotel Benton for the formation of a lodge of Elks.

The N. K. club had a very enjoyable time last evening. There was an unusually large attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Baushke entertained the N. N. Pedro club last evening. A. J. Emerson carried away the first prize, Mrs. Baushke the consolation prize.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Higgs of the Hotel Benton entertained the Eureka club at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Frank D. Conger, corner of Washington and Pipestone last evening.

The Pleasure club met with Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Robbins at the Catalpas last evening. The guests were ushered into the ball room where a number of games of progressive pedro were played. The prizes were won by Mrs. L. T. Burridge and W. D. Downey. An oyster supper was then served and after the supper the tables were removed and the remainder of the evening was devoted to dancing.

The Self Culture club met at the hospitable home of Mrs. Shauman Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. After roll call Mrs. Pearl entertained the club with one of her delightful solos, "Good Night, Sweet Dreams," accompanied by herself upon the piano. The chapter in history dealt with "The British in the East During the Early Years of Victoria's Reign," the same talent that insures us a little nonsense now and then infused interest into a rather dull chapter of history. Mrs. Hamilton will conclude the chapter next week. A letter from our beloved president, Mrs. Conger, giving an account of her trip to Washington, D. C., was read by the secretary and thoroughly enjoyed by all. Many voiced the sentiment that she richly merited all the good things this life held in store for her. Miss Theo Falkingham commenced the review of "The Shadow of a Crime," by Hall Caine and it goes without saying that Miss Theo is a born story teller. She will conclude the review next week. Mr. Hamilton read "Pinky Cutus Cure" which nearly convulsed every one with laughter. Mrs. Pearl sang the familiar "Doris" and her voice seemed if possible richer and sweeter than before. Current events and critics report ended an interesting meeting.

Old People Made Young.

J. C. Sherman, the veteran editor of the Vermontville (Mich.) Echo, has discovered the remarkable secret of keeping old people young. For years he has avoided Nervousness, Sleeplessness, Indigestion, Heart trouble, Constipation and Rheumatism, by using Electric Bitters and he writes: "It can't be praised too highly. It gently stimulates the kidneys, tones the stomach, aids digestion, and gives a splendid appetite. It has worked wonders for my wife and me. It's a marvellous remedy for old people's complaints." Only 50c at Lowe & Witherspoon's drug store.

Notice.

All persons indebted to the Benton Harbor Bicycle Works are requested to settle at once, as all bills not paid within 30 days will be put into a collector's hands. 97 A. F. SCHILLZ.

ST. JESUS PH.

O. O. Jordan, owner of the Union State bank, has just purchased Mrs. Jane Vanderveer's property on Niles Avenue and will remodel and prepare it for his own residence. This place is a valuable piece of property and will make a beautiful home for Mr. Jordan and his family.

GRAIN MARKET.

Following are the prices of grain and provisions on Chicago board of trade today furnished by E. W. Moore & Co., commission brokers:

	Close	High	Low	Close	Yester
May.....	69 $\frac{1}{2}$	67	64 $\frac{1}{2}$	67 $\frac{1}{2}$	66 $\frac{1}{2}$
July.....	67 $\frac{1}{2}$				
Corn—					
May.....	32 $\frac{1}{2}$	33 $\frac{1}{2}$	32 $\frac{1}{2}$	33 $\frac{1}{2}$	33 $\frac{1}{2}$
July.....	33 $\frac{1}{2}$				
Oats—					
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Closing prices on the board today: May pork \$10.82; lard \$6.74; bacon \$5.77.

After the first day of January Dr. Jarvis will be located at room 5 on the Jones & Sonner block 75ft.

The Christie Church Ladies Will Serve

On account of a farmers' institute which will be held in Benton Harbor next Tuesday and Wednesday, January 30 and 31, the ladies of the Christian church will serve dinner and supper both days in the vacant room just back of Miller's meat market on Pipestone street. All are asked to come and have a good warm meal for 15 cents. 9760

POLICY REVERSED.

State Department Decides to Receive Diplomatic Representative of Transvaal Republic.

Washington, Jan. 23.—Montagu White, who arrived here Sunday from New York, will be received as the consular and diplomatic representative of the Transvaal republic. The state department has formally determined upon such action, and Mr. White has been given an intimation of this intention. Whenever properly executed credentials are received by Mr. White, which are expected within ten days, he will present them to Secretary Hay and enter upon his official career.

This action of the state department in receiving Mr. White is a reversal of the policy heretofore maintained. Gen. O'Brien, of New York, who was given proper credentials by President Kruger, was refused recognition on the ground that he was an American citizen. At the same time it was intimated that bona fide citizens of the Transvaal, then temporarily within the boundaries of the United States, would not be received in an official capacity. It has been announced at the state department until now that no representative of the Transvaal republic would receive formal recognition.

In his official capacity Mr. White will have access only to the Secretary of state. He will not be introduced to the president, as is the custom when newly-accredited ministers present their credentials and there is an exchange of courteous felicitations on behalf of both nations represented. Ambassadors alone have the right of direct communication with the president. Mr. White will have the privilege of presenting, not only all commercial matters to the state department, but also such diplomatic propositions as do not require the acquiescence of Great Britain under the sovereignty which has prevailed for more than a decade. He cannot negotiate treaties and his privileges will be confined to the lesser essentials of diplomacy.

Unconditionally Released.

Berlin, Jan. 23.—A dispatch received here from Durban says the German bark Marie, loaded with sulphur, which was captured early in January by the British cruiser Fearless and taken to Port Elizabeth, has been unconditionally released.

Artist Sontag Dead.

New York, Jan. 23.—William L. Sontag, the artist, died at his home in this city Monday, aged 78 years. He was born near Pittsburgh.

His Wife Saved Him.

My wife's good advice saved my life writes F. M. Rose of Winfield, Tenn., for I had such a bad cough I could hardly breathe. I steadily grew worse under doctor's treatment, but my wife urged me to use Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, which completely cured me." Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, La Grippe, Pneumonia, Asthma, Hay Fever and all maladies of Chest, Throat and Lungs are positively cured by this marvellous medicine. 50c and \$1.00 Every bottle guaranteed. Trial bottles 10 cts at Lowe & Witherspoon's drug store.

A Rebekah Social.

Hello, where are you going? I am going where the Chinese lanterns swing—the Rebekah social at Mrs. E. M. Sidmore's on Columbus avenue, Wednesday evening, January 24. Every one invited. Supper from 5 until 8 o'clock. Price ten cents. 9612

Entertainment by German Society.

The German Arbeiter society of this city will give an entertainment followed by a dance on the evening of February 5 at Conkey's hall. The program will be announced later. 8817

A Poor Hero.

"How did the hero of the story come out?" he asked of the lad who had just rolled up a novel and got up to stretch himself.

"He was a clump!" was the reply, in tones of disgust. "He had two guns, a knife, a bronco, a lasso and a bottle of pizen, and yet he let de villain punch de hero out of him and git away wid de heroine and a million dollars in cash."

Only 50c at Lowe & Witherspoon's drug store.

A Lawyer's Promise.

"What hurts me the worst of all," said the stricken millionaire, "is the disgrace of dying rich."

"Don't worry about that," said the family lawyer, soothingly: "I promise you that I'll fix things so that in a year's time neither the public nor your heirs will have any proof that you ever left a cent."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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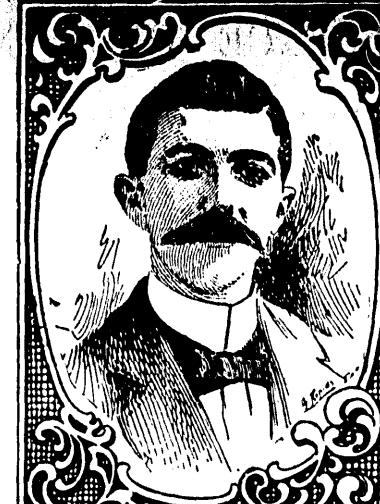
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